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Field Crops

Cotton harvest was virtually complete by weeks end, slightly ahead of last year at 98 percent and the 5-year average at 96 percent. Alfalfa conditions were mostly fair to excellent, improving slightly from last week. Harvesting occurred on two-thirds of the alfalfa acreage across the State. This week there were 6.7 days suitable for field work.

Moisture Conditions

	Subsoil Moisture	Topsoil Moisture			
	- Percent -				
Very Short	8	1			
Short	33	35			
Adequate	59	64			
Surplus	0	0			

Range and Pasture

Winter storms left significant precipitation in the form of snow and should prove to be beneficial in maintaining soil moisture till the coming spring. Range and pasture conditions improved significantly from last week. Rangeland conditions vary widely from very poor to good, depending on location.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped broccoli, Bok Choy, Chinese cabbage, red and green cabbage, cilantro, collard greens, kale greens, mustard, parsley, turnip top greens and spinach last week.

Western Arizona growers shipped anise, arugula, broccoli, Bok Choy, cauliflower, cilantro, celery, Chinese cabbage, red and green cabbage, curry, endive, escarole, kale greens, various lettuce including Boston, iceberg, romaine, green and red leaf lettuce, parsley, and spinach last week.

Lemons were also shipped in areas of Arizona.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
	- Percent -					
Alfalfa	6	10	23	33	28	
Range and Pasture	14	7	32	44	3	

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.		
	- Percent -					
Cotton, Harvested	100	95	98	96		

Temperature and Precipitation Data								
December 29, 2014 - January 4, 2015								
	Temperature			Precipitation				
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	7 vg.	-9	62	24	0.16	0.00	-0.12	0 1101111111111111111111111111111111111
Ajo	44	-10	66	27	0.10	0.00	-0.12	58
Anvil Ranch	40	-10	69	21	0.07	0.07	-0.03	0
Betatakin	25	-10 -5	41	8	0.00	0.00	0.12	250
Bisbee	42	: 0	61	20	0.37	0.30	-0.17	39
Bonita	35	-9	64	16	0.11	0.11	-0.17	44
Bowie	38	-9 -7	68	23	0.07	0.07	0.09	0
Buckeye	42	-10	66	26	0.20	0.20	-0.12	0
Bullhead City	38	-16	57	18	0.05	0.00	-0.12	0
Canyon De Chelly	20	-10	45	-8	0.03	0.00	0.02	125
Coolidge	41	-11 -9	67	24	0.10	0.10	-0.12	0
Desert Ridge	43	-9 -8	64	27	0.23	0.00	-0.12 -0.20	0
Douglas	40	-o -5	66	15	0.24	0.00	-0.20	8
Flagstaff	23	-5 -6	46	-2	0.01	0.01	0.55	329
Flagstall Fort Grant	38	-6	67	23	0.86	0.79	0.06	138
	18	-13	43		0.22	0.22	-0.09	
Grand Canyon Heber	29		43 51	-5 8	0.07	0.07	-0.09	44 75
	30	-4 -14	50	10				333
Kingman	41	-14 -9	64	25	0.50 0.22	0.50	0.35 -0.12	
Maricopa								0
Mesa Mohave	45 39	-9 -14	66 59	28 20	0.18 0.03	0.00	-0.16 -0.11	0
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Nogales	41 28	-5 -6	69 46	23 18	0.28 0.29	0.28 0.29	0.08 0.21	140 363
Page Paloma	41	-14	63	22	0.29	0.29	-0.08	
Paradise		-14 -11	61	16	0.00	0.00	0.18	0 175
Parker, 1	33 40	-11 -11	62	20	0.42	0.42	-0.04	0
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Parker, 2 Payson, Ag	33	-13 -7	56	14	0.00 0.95	0.00	-0.08 0.03	111
Payson, UA	28	-12	55	7	0.93	0.30	0.03	0
Phoenix	45	-12 -8	63	31	0.37	0.37	-0.01	92
	23	-o -12	40	31	0.11	0.11	-0.01	75
Pipe Springs	30	-12	52	11	0.13	0.09		100
Prescott Prescott. UA	31	-o -7	53	10	0.12	0.12	0.00 -0.15	
Robson Ranch	43	-7 -9		25	0.15		0.02	0 114
Roll	43	<u>-9</u> -9	68 68	20	0.45	0.16 0.00	-0.08	0
Roosevelt	42	<u>-9</u> -6	62	30	0.64	0.64	0.36	229
Safford	37	-0 -7	65	22	0.04		0.36	175
	43				0.21	0.21 0.01	-0.23	_
Sahuarita	25	-6 -9	72 56	26	0.30	0.01		0
St. Johns				3			0.16	245
San Carlos	39 36	-8	63	26	0.30	0.30 0.21	0.06	125
San Simon		-6	69	19 2	0.21		0.10 0.22	0
Seligman	26	-11	50 50		0.53	0.35		269
Springerville	27	-6	52	-5	0.19	0.19	0.15	475
Tuescan	21 44	-10	39 72	29 29	0.12	0.12	0.04	150
Tucson		-7 7			0.54	0.54	0.38	338
Willcox Window Book	36	-7 o	66	18	0.04	0.04	-0.12	25
Window Rock	21	-8	44 54	-1	0.18	0.18	0.08	180
Winslow Vuma South	25	-8	54	3	0.21	0.21	0.13	263
Yuma Valley	45	-9 10	65	26	0.00	0.00	-0.08	0
Yuma Valley	45	-10	66	27	0.01	0.00	-0.07	0
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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